

**BILLINGS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING – JULY 6, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. with Commissioners Arthaud, Kasian and Thompson in attendance.

Thompson moved to approve the minutes from the June 1, 2010 regular meeting. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Others present during portions of the meeting were: Sheriff Dave Jurgens; Deputy Sheriff Pat Rummel; Deputy Sheriff Jason Kastrow; State's Attorney Jay Brovold; Fire Chief Tim Solberg; Mike Heiser; Gordon Gerbig; Recorder Donna Adams; Tax Director Lynn Arthaud; Deb Thuerer; Tina Thornton; Ron Jablonski; Russ Walsh; Myron Romanyshyn

Tim Solberg and Mike Heiser met with the board about the proposed additions to the fire halls in Fairfield and Fryburg. They would like to get the Fryburg fire hall done this year and budget for the Fairfield fire hall to be done in 2011. Commissioner Arthaud suggested bidding the Fryburg project and once the bids were received it could be determined whether it could be incorporated into the 2010 budget or planned for the 2011 budget. Tim also brought it to the board's attention that there was some cement repairs needed at the Medora fire hall. The board asked them to get some quotes for the repair and bring them to the next meeting. The addition of a radio tower at Fryburg was discussed.

Gordon Gerbig with the Medora Grazing Association informed the board that they were in need of additional funding for CP projects, and requested that the county allow 25% of the grazing fees that the county would receive through the 2011 Bankhead Jones funding be allocated back to the Medora Grazing Association. This is an annual request and will not carry over to future years unless it is requested. Arthaud moved to allow the additional 25% allocation to the Medora Grazing Association. Thompson seconded. All voted aye.

Deb Thuerer, Parent Resource Center, discussed the programs done in the past year, and their proposed budget allocation for the next year. Thompson moved to approve \$1,368 be added to the 2011 budget. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

The bids for crushing and stockpiling gravel in W1/2SW1/4 Section 30, T138, R102 were opened. Fisher Sand and Gravel submitted a bid for \$141,700. Kasian moved to accept the bid. Thompson seconded. All voted aye.

Donna Adams informed the board that she was going to get two more computer terminals installed for record searches, and is also looking into having the documents digitized.

Lynn Arthaud gave the board a synopsis of the zoning board recommendations from the June 15, 2010 meeting. The application submitted by Gary Peterson to build a pole barn in SE1/4 34-140-102 was approved by the zoning board. Kasian moved to uphold the zoning board recommendation and approve the application. Thompson seconded. A building application submitted by Roger and Naomi Rossow to construct residential structures (house, garage and barn) on Lot 5, Block 1 of the Tetley Subdivision in section 33-139-102 was approved by the zoning board. Arthaud moved to uphold the recommendations of the zoning board and approve the application. Thompson seconded. All voted aye. The zoning board will hold the first public hearing for the new zoning ordinance on July 8th, then the zoning board will act on the recommendations for the final draft. It will then go to the Billings County Commissioners for their action.

Lynn explained that a portion of the 2009 taxes for parcel 24-0000-1138-000 were up for abatement because the structure is no longer there. Thompson moved to approve abating and refunding \$55.59 of the 2009 taxes. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Darlene Mitchell's term on the SW REAP board expired June 30, 2010. She wishes to remain on the board for an additional 2 year term. Thompson moved to reappoint Darlene. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Leona Odermann with the Billings County Historical Society submitted a request that the board waive the \$25 special event permit fee for an event in September. They purchased permit for an event in July 2009, but that event never happened, so they would like to apply that fee to the new permit. Thompson moved to waive the fee for the 2010 permit. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

The board recessed for lunch from 12:00 noon to 1 P.M.

Ron Jablonski, Tina Thornton and Russ Walsh with the U.S. Forest Service met with the board for the annual meeting. Topics of discussion included the scoria pits, road maintenance agreement, and easement inspections.

Discussion of the 2011 budget process and the cost of living increase was discussed. Thompson moved to take 3.5% of the highest salary and give that same dollar amount to all the employees. Kasian seconded. All voted aye.

Myron Romanyshyn addressed the board with concerns about the building and zoning informational brochure that was mailed out to all residents of Billings County.

The board approved the revenue vouchers for the month of June: Zoning \$225.00 permits; County Recorder \$11,228.50; Clerk of Court \$269.50 county fees and \$5,823.00 state fees; Sheriff \$1,184.27 civil fees and grant.

Revenues for materials and/or services rendered in June: Joseph L. Kessel \$71.50 dental insurance premium; Bill Haug \$10.75 maps; Maynard Burian \$50.14 life insurance premium; City of Medora \$246.39 taser cartridges; TRMF \$25.00 cash bar permit; Dana Wanner \$10.75 map; Noridian MW \$1,071.22 ambulance calls; Joseph L. Kessel \$6.20 copies; Joseph L. Kessel \$16.13 map; Blue Cross/Blue Shield \$1,093.19 ambulance calls; Steve Sullivan \$5.00 copy of zoning ordinance.

Revenues for the month of May: Mineral Royalties \$249,121.52; Highway Tax Distribution \$9,455.22; Oil & Gas Production Tax \$215,857.66; Hazardous Chemical Reporting \$2,400.00.

The following claims were approved for payment:

Access Printing Solutions LLC	Auditor & Tax Director – Binders	97707	\$	740.88	
Adams, Donna	Recorder – Travel Expense	97708	\$	110.00	
Adams, Kenneth L.	Rough Scoria	97709	\$	80.00	3
Advanced Business Methods	Recorder – Copier Paper	97710	\$	289.00	
Alternative Sanitation	Garbage Removal	97711	\$	141.00	1, 2, 3
American Welding & Gas	Welding Supplies	97712	\$	481.72	1, 2
Ameripride Linen Service	Mat Rental	97713	\$	85.70	3
Arthaud, Lynn	Tax Director – Travel Expense	97714	\$	431.40	
Billings County Rural Fire District	Taxes	97715	\$	14.60	
Billings County Pioneer	Publishing	97716	\$	386.68	W, G
Billings County School District	Weed – Shop Rent	97717	\$	300.00	
Billings County School District	Taxes	97718	\$	173,054.61	
Billings County Sheriff	Training Expenses	97719	\$	130.81	
Beall Corporation	Parts & Supplies	97720	\$	15.82	1
Belfield Automotive Supply, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	97721	\$	1,984.24	2, 3, W
Blue Cross Blue Shield of N.D.	Dental & Vision Premiums	97722	\$	2,196.50	1, 2, 3, W, G
Boespflug Trailers & Feed	Parts & Supplies	97723	\$	100.04	2
Bound Tree Medical LLC	Ambulance – Medical Supplies	97724	\$	764.53	
Braun Distributing, Inc.	S. O. – 4 th of July	97725	\$	74.75	
Butler Machinery Company, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	97726	\$	661.89	1, 2, 3
Carquest Auto Parts	Parts & Supplies	97727	\$	112.17	1, 3
Cass County Treasurer	Document Preservation Fund	97728	\$	313.00	
Chad’s Automotive Clinic	Ambulance Repairs	97729	\$	970.41	
Chemsearch	Shop Supplies	97730	\$	573.96	2
Chuppe, Gregory & Laurie	Tax Refund/Abatement	97731	\$	55.59	
Comfort Inn – Bismarck	S. O. & 991 – Training	97732	\$	427.00	
Creative Energy	Diesel Fuel & Shop Supplies	97733	\$	3,800.91	1, 2, 3
Dakota Ag Seeds, Inc.	Weed – Chemical	97734	\$	7,654.23	
Dakota Farm Equipment, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	97735	\$	1,604.46	1, 2, G
Dakota Filter Supply	Parts & Supplies	97736	\$	173.95	3
Dakota Insurance	Property Insurance	97737	\$	372.00	1, 2, 3
Dakota Water Treatment	Water System	97738	\$	25.00	1
Dan’s Interstate Conoco	S. O. – Gas	97739	\$	173.85	
Denny’s Electric	Generator Installation	97740	\$	1,436.61	1
DF Lighting Company	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	97741	\$	286.13	
Diamond Truck Equipment	Gravel Body	97742	\$	18,427.00	1
Dickinson, City of...	Waste Disposal	97743	\$	32.19	2

Dickinson Public Library	Library Service	97744	\$	3,474.39	
DTE, Inc.	Tool Box	97745	\$	321.00	2
Electronic Communications	D.E.M. – Equipment	97746	\$	190.00	
Election Systems & Software	Primary Election – Technical Support	97747	\$	3,034.98	
Emergency Medical Products, Inc.	Ambulance – Medical Supplies	97748	\$	633.97	
Environmental Dust Control SD	Stabilock Dust Control	97749	\$	25,381.84	2
Fastenal Company	Shop Supplies	97750	\$	129.88	2, 3
Fisher Industries	Concrete Rock	97751	\$	409.50	1
General Equipment & Supplies	Terex Scraper Repairs	97752	\$	2,285.50	1, 2, 3
General Steel & Supply Co.	Iron Supplies	97753	\$	15.30	3
George’s Tire, Ltd.	Tire Repairs	97754	\$	66.00	1, 2
Golden Valley County	Social Service	97755	\$	6,725.41	
Hedahls Parts Plus	Shop Supplies	97756	\$	21.59	1
Heiser Electric, Don	Courthouse – Heating Repairs	97757	\$	150.00	
Hlebechuk Construction, Inc.	Blade Roads	97758	\$	18,876.50	1, 2
Honda West	Weed – 2009 Honda A.T.V.	97759	\$	4,000.00	
Interstate Power Systems, Inc.	Sentinel Butte Tower Repairs	97760	\$	1,513.46	
Johnston Fargo Culvert, Inc.	Culverts	97761	\$	18,976.14	3
J P Steel & Supply, Inc.	Iron Supplies	97762	\$	89.51	1
Kadrmass, Lee, & Jackson, Inc.	Engineering	97763	\$	48,834.59	1, 2, 3
Kasian, Connie	Zoning Meeting – Mileage	97764	\$	65.00	
Kasian, Mike	Commissioner – Mileage	97765	\$	154.50	2
Kastrow, Jason	S.O. – Travel Expense	97766	\$	50.00	
Kessel, Anita	Zoning Meeting – Mileage	97767	\$	75.00	
Kevin’s Auto & Truck Repair	Parts & Repairs	97768	\$	338.00	3
Klang, Keri	Ambulance Director – Travel Expense	97769	\$	372.80	
Krush, Paul	Zoning Meeting – Mileage	97770	\$	77.00	
LaDuke, Joe	Zoning Meeting – Mileage	97771	\$	49.00	
Life Assist	Ambulance – Medical Supplies	97772	\$	56.85	
Lyle Signs, Inc.	911 Street Signs	97773	\$	67.90	
Masimo Americas, Inc.	Ambulance – Medical Equipment	97774	\$	4,506.00	
Matthew Bender & Co., Inc.	Advance Code Subscription	97775	\$	204.18	
McJunkin Redman Corp.	Parts & Supplies	97776	\$	4.31	2
Medora, City of...	Taxes	97777	\$	447.18	
Metro-Billing Services	Ambulance – Assist	97778	\$	15.00	
Midstate Telephone Company	911 Changes	97779	\$	10.00	
Midstate Telephone Company	Courthouse – Telephone Service	97780	\$	976.36	
Midstate Communications	Supt. of Schools – Telephone	97781	\$	40.55	
Mobile Binders	Recorder – Recording Paper	97782	\$	288.09	
Missouri Valley Petroleum, Inc.	Gas, Oil, & Diesel	97783	\$	24,117.17	2, 3, G
Myron’s Roofing	Fairfield Firehall – Roof Repair	97784	\$	6,120.00	2
National-Oilwell Varco	Parts & Supplies	97785	\$	89.05	2
N.D. Newspaper Association	Publishing	97786	\$	162.30	
N.D. Association of Counties	Weed – D & A Testing	97787	\$	212.00	
N.D. Association of Counties	Taxes	97788	\$	107.31	
N.D. Cowboy Hall of Fame	Meeting Room Maintenance	97789	\$	200.00	
N.D. Dept. of Transportation	Road Oil	97790	\$	4,549.25	2, 3
N.D. Dept. of Transportation	Weed – Title & Registration Fees	97791	\$	10.00	
N.D. Game & Fish Department	Game Licenses	97792	\$	651.00	
N.D. Insurance Department	Tank Registrations	97793	\$	700.00	1, 2, 3, G
N.D. Peace Officers Association	S. O. – Conference Fees	97794	\$	420.00	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Health Insurance Premium	97795	\$	29,426.51	1, 2, 3, W, G
N.D. Safety Council	Risk Mgmt. – Membership Dues	97796	\$	200.00	
N.D. Fire & Tornado Fund	Property Insurance	97797	\$	4,545.18	1, 2, 3, W, G
N.D. State Radio Communication	S.O. & 911 – Radio Services	97798	\$	1,418.40	
N.D. State Treasurer	Clerk of Court Fees	97799	\$	5,835.04	
N.D. Weed Control Association	Weed – Membership Dues	97800	\$	200.00	
Never Enough Thyme Greenhouse	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	97801	\$	35.88	
Newby’s Ace Hardware	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	97802	\$	304.75	
Northern Improvement Co., Inc.	Omega Mix	97803	\$	1,288.18	1, 2
O’Brien Welding	Parts & Repairs	97804	\$	178.25	3
Off Road Software, Inc.	GIS Software	97805	\$	1,400.00	
Oil Field Safety, Inc.	Ambulance – Medical Equipment	97806	\$	1,240.00	
OK Tire Stores	Tires	97807	\$	2,715.23	3
Onsite Improvements, Inc.	S. Ash Coulee Road Project	97808	\$	9,198.41	2
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Outback Lumber Company	S. Ash Coulee Road Project, etc.	97810	\$	9,601.91	2
Performance Truck Center	Parts & Repairs	97811	\$	377.84	2
Pitney Bowes Reserve Account	Courthouse – Replenish Postage	97812	\$	1,200.00	
Postmaster	Courthouse – P.O. Box Rental Fees	97813	\$	352.00	
Prairie Paving & Maintenance	Courthouse – Seal Parking Lot	97814	\$	3,340.00	
Probuild	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	97815	\$	595.53	
Pump Systems, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	97816	\$	317.64	3, W
Ray’s Auto Electric, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	97817	\$	219.81	1
RDO Equipment Co.	Parts & Repairs	97818	\$	2,786.98	2, 3
Red Trail Campground	Ambulance – Paramedic Housing	97819	\$	240.00	
Redmond, Perry & Alicia	2008/2009 Gravel Lease Access	97820	\$	1,500.00	1
Reiter Welding, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	97821	\$	1,448.80	2
Rudy’s Lock & Key	Shop Supplies	97822	\$	9.80	2
Rummel, Patrick	D.E.M. – Travel	97823	\$	32.50	
Runnings Farm & Fleet, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	97824	\$	933.95	1, 2, 3, W
Safelite Fulfillment, Inc.	Parts & Repairs	97825	\$	322.90	1
Southwest Business Machines	Office Supplies	97826	\$	1,352.54	

Schmidt Repair, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	97827	\$	111.28	3
Schoch Construction	Generator Building	97828	\$	9,460.00	2
Share Corporation	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	97829	\$	103.02	
Sherwin – Williams	Museum – Paint	97830	\$	96.87	
Smart Computers & Consulting	Recorder – Toner	97831	\$	238.00	
Stein's, Inc.	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	97832	\$	565.70	
Superior Coating & Design	Courthouse – Vortex Stairwells	97833	\$	4,300.00	
Superpumper, Inc.	S. O. – Gas	97834	\$	122.28	
Southwestern District Health Unit	Taxes	97835	\$	42.00	
Southwest Multi-Co. Correction Ctr.	S. O. – Prisoner Care	97836	\$	1,880.00	
Southwest Water Authority	Taxes	97837	\$	12.04	
Southwest Water Authority	Water Usage	97838	\$	644.28	1, 2, 3
Swanston Equipment Corp.	Durapatcher – Rental	97839	\$	4,900.00	2
Tczap, John	S. O. – Travel Expense	97840	\$	62.50	
Thompson, Allan T.	Commissioner – Mileage	97841	\$	136.50	1
Tom's Service Center	S. O. & Weed – Service & Tires	97842	\$	435.20	
Tractor & Equipment Company	Parts & Repairs	97843	\$	4,028.17	1
Trevor Johnson Repair	Transmission	97844	\$	6,800.00	3
Underground Vaults, Inc.	Recorder – Microfilm Storage	97845	\$	4.20	
Verizon Wireless	Cellular Service	97846	\$	170.38	2, G
Viking Glass	Courthouse – Maintenance Supplies	97847	\$	242.00	
Wal-Mart	Courthouse – Supplies	97848	\$	226.46	
W.W. Wallwork, Inc.	Parts & Supplies	97849	\$	658.55	1
Wanner, Dana	Tax Director – Travel Expense	97850	\$	431.40	
Wanner Western Wear, Inc.	S. O. – Uniforms	97851	\$	8.00	
Western Fire & Safety	Safety Supplies	97852	\$	931.37	2, W
Westlie Truck Center	Parts & Supplies	97853	\$	1,432.37	3
Wolf, Rod & Mony	Museum – Paint Exterior	97854	\$	6,880.00	
Alltel	Cellular Service	97855	\$	461.19	1, 3, G
American Family Life Assurance	Premium	97856	\$	666.63	
Consolidated	Internet Service	97857	\$	240.45	2, 3, W
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	Administrative Fees	97858	\$	89.25	
Discovery Benefits, Inc.	Premium	97859	\$	2,330.03	
Information Technology Dept.	S.O. – T-1 Line	97860	\$	437.80	
Job Service North Dakota	Unemployment Taxes	97861	\$	1,894.57	1, 2, 3, W, G
Medora, City of...	Courthouse – Utilities	97862	\$	204.51	
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Deferred Comp. Premium	97863	\$	5,599.00	
N.D. State Tax Commissioner	Withholding Taxes	97864	\$	5,829.14	
Prudential	Deferred Comp. Premium	97865	\$	50.00	
Qwest	Telephone Service	97866	\$	323.91	1, 2, 3, W, G
Reservation Telephone Cooperative	Telephone Service	97867	\$	50.43	1, 2, 3, G
Roughrider Electric Cooperative	Electricity	97868	\$	2,070.00	1, 2, 3, G
Visa	Trailers & Ambulance Expense	97869	\$	1,464.29	1, G
N.D.P.E.R.S.	Retirement	97932	\$	11488.24	1, 2, 3, W, G

Payroll in the following amounts were approved for June: General \$64,837.93; Road and Bridge \$68,040.94; Weed \$26,919.85

With there being no further business, Arthaud moved to adjourn the meeting 3:15 P.M. Thompson seconded.

James Arthaud, Chairman

Attest: _____

Joan Jurgens, Auditor/Treasurer